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PR Repeal Proves To Be Popular Issue

Thousands Sign Petitions For November Referendum

Confidence rose high in PAC ranks this week following the return of the first petitions calling for repeal of the PR system of electing city councilmen. Several thousand signatures, obtained during the first 10 days the petitions were circulated gave PAC officials cause to hope that not only would PR face its greatest test since its adaption, but that its possible defeat is indicated by the rapidity with which the petitions are being filled and returned to PAC headquarters.

Clayton Rusch, PAC chairman, explained that two petition circulators alone had accounted for 1560 signatures and had said "they had just started to work." Similar reports are reaching the PAC office from a number of circulators who say that people are not only willing to sign the petitions, but are anxious to do so.

To Intensify Drive

Gradual intensification of the petition drive was outlined by Chairman Rusch.

"We already have put out 1000 petitions in various sections of the city and expect to continue to place more in circulation each week. By the end of this coming week we expect to have 1500 petitions scattered throughout all parts of Toledo" said Mr. Rusch.

Rusch stated that it was now the belief of PAC officials that the 30,000 signatures set by the organization as its goal at the beginning of the petition drive will be greatly exceeded. "The popularity of the issue convinces me that the signatures which we are obtaining is an indication of

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Heads Joint Council

Ivo Erwin, Local 363, URWDSEA-CIO was chosen as first president of the newly created Toledo Joint Council consisting of Locals 363 and 35. President Erwin has been active in Local 363 organization work and was formerly president of that union.

Griffith Expected To Resign

WASHINGTON, April 2 — (LPA)—Col. Paul H. Griffith, assistant administrator of the Retraining and Reemployment Administration, is expected to submit his resignation shortly to Gen. Frank Hines, head of the Veterans' Administration.

Griffith's departure will have organized labor's blessing because of the Colonel's well-known antipathy for trade unions and his advocacy of some form of "superseniority" which purports to give precedence in jobs to veterans over workers with greater actual seniority.

Griffith is recognized in labor circles as the author of the notorious "Memorandum 190A" which interprets the reemployment rights of veterans under the Selective Service Act so as to permit veterans to bump workers with greater seniority out of their jobs.

Memorandum 190A, which labor leaders charge was designed to split returing servicemen and trade unions, was issued without any consultation with labor, management, or even other government agencies.

In recent months Griffith has frequently debated on public platforms with labor and industry officials who opposed his demands for superseniority. Both industry and labor representatives have contended that such a plan would throw hundreds of thousands, if not millions, out of work, and disrupt any possibility for a smooth conversion to a peacetime economy in the reconversion and postwar periods.

Hobart Drive Moves Forward

TROY, April 4—New members are constantly being added to the growing UAW-CIO group now under process of organization in the Hobart Mfg. Co. plant of this city, according to Harold O. Tull, Auto Workers International representative in charge of the Miami Valley District.

Workers at Hobart's rejected the AFL in an NLRB election more than one year ago after the local newspaper, the Troy Daily News, stepped into the breach and carried the torch for the plant management. The newspaper sought to accomplish the same purpose when the Waco Aircraft Co. election was held, but was unsuccessful.

Waco workers have been of considerable aid in assisting in the Hobart organizational drive. Grievance settlement and aid in securing increased rates of pay have been a good example for the Hobart employees.

Tull is attached to the office of Richard Gosser, UAW-CIO regional director of Toledo.

Social Workers May Unionize

WASHINGTON (LPA) — Although there is no dispute about wages or hours, a move to become bargaining agents for social workers at the Georgetown Settlement House by Local 27, United Office and Professional Workers (CIO) has been referred to the Labor Department for conciliation.

OPA Stalls Wage Jump

WASHINGTON, April 2—(LPA)—Wage increases granted more than five weeks ago to 50,000 textile workers are still stalled in the OPA and the Office of Economic Stabilization here while union leaders continue to demand that the raise be put into effect.

The case went to OPA in order to give mill owners an opportunity to appeal for higher prices for their products. When the deadline for filing such appeals was passed last week it was found that only 24 of the 54 companies had sought price relief.

"This underscores the union's contention that the meager benefits granted workers under the WLB order can be absorbed out of the swollen profits of this industry," Bowles was told by President Emil Rieve, of the Textile Workers Union-CIO.

The WLB order on Feb. 20 granted a general wage increase of 5c-an-hour, lifted the minimum wage from 50c to 55c-an-hour and ordered the mills and the union to negotiate rates.

Cotton mill profits for the nation last year have been estimated at $365,000,000, approximately 13 times the pre-war figure.

At least another 50,000 textile workers will benefit from the wage increases along with the 50,000 in the 54 mills, Rieve said. The additional 50,000, also represented by the TWUA, work for employers who have agreed to be bound by whatever wage order is finally approved.

Avery Could Sue For This

WASHINGTON, April 2 (LPA)—War Labor Board members have their own private opinion of the Montgomery Ward-Sewell Avery's one-man war against the U. S. Government. Here's a ditty they hum to themselves these days:

The Board is now faced with a new kind of knavery,
The kind that is peddled by Sewell Avery.
In his arrogance he has spread word through the town
That he'll huff and he'll puff and he'll blow the Board down.
But though loudly he screams, and though wildly he rages,
He adds not a cent to those substandard wages,
Which that great corporation, Montgomery Ward,
Declares is the very most it can afford.
Wards' financial condition is really quite bad;
It can manage just one daily half-a-page ad
In every big newspaper throughout the nation
To explain its great fight for the country's salvation.
Avery has suffered sore wounds which won't heal.
Until salved with the blood of the wicked New Deal.
For hell hath no fury like that of a man
Who's been hauled from his office and dumped on his . . .

Schick Reports Progress

Satisfactory progress is reported by Carl Schick of Regional Director Gosser's office in the skilled trades organizational drives. Workers from the shops in which Schick is organizing are proving to be good contacts who show a desire for a union which will accomplish things for them.

Schick is also active in PAC in his spare time and has been working among shop stewards to impress upon them the necessity of knowing what the political organization is trying to accomplish so they in turn can sell PAC to the rank and file.

Page Ripley

WASHINGTON (LPA)— Work above 12 hours a day is sufficiently "onerous" to warrant double-time pay, instead of time-and-a-half, the War Labor Board ruled last week. It sustained a regional board which had ordered the Submarine Signal Co., Fall River, Mass., to grant a union demand for the double-time rate.

The WLB held that the extra compensation conforms to an executive order issued by the White House several years ago which while placing a ceiling of time-and-a-half pay for work beyond eight hours permits additional pay for "onerous work."

Joint Council Elects

Lawrence N. Steinberg, Ohio state URWDSEA director, was named director of the newly created Toledo Joint Council at an organization meeting at the Commodore Perry Hotel March 29. The Council was recommended by the steward body of Locals 35 and 363 at their joint meeting early in January.

Others elected were president, Ivo Erwin, Local 363; first vice-president, Irving Woodtke, Local 35; second vice-president, Edward Bartchi, Local 363; recording secretary, Charlotte Berth, Local 363; treasurer, Karl Martin, Local 363, and sergeant-at-arms, William Klockowski, Local 35.

Plan For Future

Plans for future activities of the union were made by the board and action taken on various measures relative to the business of the joint group.

Attorney David Guberman, PAC Chairman Clayton Rusch and Ollie Pecord, managing editor, TOLEDO UNION JOURNAL, spoke.

Mr. Guberman discussed the workmen's compensation and told how the workers in many instances were unaware of their rights. He urged the Council to make efforts to educate its people in the technicalities of the law in order to aid them in securing the proper compensation.

Mr. Rusch told of the work of PAC and spoke in behalf of the repeal of the PR system. He outlined PAC plans for the municipal election and called on the union leadership to keep itself informed of legislation effecting labor.

Urges PAC Membership

Labor news and PAC were the principal subjects of Ollie Pecord's talk. He urged the Council members to make use of the official union newspaper to carry their news and to keep themselves informed of the latest legislation in Columbus and Washington. He told of the cooperation between the TOLEDO UNION JOURNAL and PAC and asked that every officer of the union not only join PAC himself, but that he seek to enroll the rank and file members into the political organization which was seeking to advance the cause of the workers by means of progressive social legislation.

Thirty delegates from the two CIO unions were present for the initial meeting.

Strikes at 6/100 of 1%

WASHINGTON (LPA)—Mandays lost through strikes in February amounted to 6/100 of one per cent of the available working time, the Department of Labor's Bureau of Labor Statistics reported last week. There were 310 strikes and lockouts during the month involving 109,000 workers and 412,000 man-days of idleness. The figures include all stoppages involving six or more workers which lasted as long as a full day or shift.

Ohio CIO Given Clean Bill

WASHINGTON (LPA) — The Ohio CIO has been absolved by the Justice Dept. of all charges involving its printing of a pamphlet during the 1944 presidential campaign, Atty. Gen. Biddle announced last week.

Draft Bill Slated For Early Conference In April

CIO Impresses Ohio Governor

Governor Frank J. Lausche is seen here with representatives of the National CIO War Relief Committee. Left—Leo Perlis, National Director; Center—Nat Klein, Eastern Regional Director, and Right—George Delaplane, Ohio Area Director.

Governor Lausche is carefully reviewing the report of generous contributions made by Ohio CIO members to charitable and benevolent causes. These include the Red Cross, Community and War Chests and the National War Fund.

The Governor was also favorably impressed by the War Relief Committee's constructive activities in Community Services, Foreign Relief and Veterans' problems.

Byrnes Statement Kills Compromese Bill

WASHINGTON, April 4. (Special LPA)—Opposition of labor to the Administration's drive to railroad "forced labor" through the Senate has been stalled. Added to labor's opposition was the storm created by War Mobilizer James Byrnes in one of his last statements before resigning that the bill would be effective in the reconversion period.

Present status of the bill is that it will be sent into a joint House-Senate conference after the reconvening of the house which is scheduled for April 10 after the Easter vacation is ended.

Labor Attacks Bill

AFL President William Green led off attacks upon the bill last week. He sent wires to each member of the House and Senate urging defeat of the measure on the ground that it "smacks of slavery."

Both the CIO and the Railway Labor Executives' Association, followed up with messages to the solons, bitterly assailing the "slave labor" bill. Though the House, nonetheless, rushed through the measure by a narrow margin of seven votes, the Senate refused to be stampeded.

The CIO statement attacking the measure was sent to all senators by Nathan E. Cowan, the organization's legislative director.

He pointed out that the proposed bill would, "on the eve of the defeat of the Nazi dictatorship, confer on one man, the director of the Office of War Mobilization and Reconversion (James F. Byrnes) an outrageously sweeping grant of power."

The Railway Labor Executives' Ass'n, which represents both independent and AFL unions on the railroads, sent in a wire to every senator denouncing the bill and reiterated its opposition "to drafting of workers for private profit."

"We feel that enactment of legislation of this character will seriously interfere with the present outstanding performance of American labor both in wartime production and other wartime activities," the association added.

McNutt Gives Report

Among the other stiff blows which the legislation received during the week was the release by Manpower Chief Paul V. McNutt of a report which admitted that during both January and February there has been "a positive betterment in the employment situation."

"Munitions industries employment showed substantial gains generally," McNutt declared.

Another solar plexus blow to the bill was the announcement by Admiral Ernest J. King that the Navy's most recent building program, which called for 84 per cent reduction in the shipbuilding program, following V-E day.

Government Rejects Then Steals Plan

Reuther Proposal Given Out By RFC

WASHINGTON, April 2 (LPA) — The well-established habit of government agencies' stealing their "original" ideas from organized labor was noted again here last week when the Reconstruction Finance Corp. announced with a straight face and a three-page press release that the government had set up a "machine tool trading pit."

The essential idea is exactly the same as one proposed to the government slightly more than a year ago by Walter Reuther, vice president of the United Auto Workers-CIO. One difference, however, was detected. Where the RFC called its plan a "machine tool trading pit," Reuther called it a "machine tool pool."

Reuther's plan, worked out in detail, was offered to War Department and production agencies and supposedly forgotten. The UAW leader's idea was to establish a pool of surplus for currently unused machine tools in various parts of the country that could be drawn on by plants needing such machines either for war production or for conversion to civilian production. The borrowing arrangement would be closely supervised and designed primarily to prevent any machine tools from lying idle or going to rust in a plant yard when they could be used or adapted in another plant.

Says Same Think

The RFC's announcement, one year later, said that "The trading pit is a central supply point or pool, into which machine tools and production equipment are reported as they become available for transfer from one type of war production into another."

The national supply of machine tools and production equipment, the RFC declared, although the largest ever reached in the history of this or any other country, "is still short of requirements to take care of greatly increased war production schedules. However, the new trading pit plan is considered a notable contribution toward meeting production requirements."

Reuther, in presenting his

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UAW Opposition Mounts Against Grand Rapids

Membership Suspects Move To Stop Meeting

DETROIT, April 4 (Special) — Opposition to Grand Rapids as the 1945 UAW-CIO convention city is on the increase. Announcement of Grand Rapids which was the scene of the 1944 convention as again having been chosen for this year's meeting was made here last week by George F. Addes, International UAW-CIO secretary-treasurer.

What steps would be taken by Local UAW-CIO unions and units was not clear, but that some definite protest would be made to the International Board was definite.

Some UAW officers see in the Addes move the preliminary to calling off the convention altogether. Application was made by the UAW-CIO secretary-treasurer to the Office of Defence Transportation for permission to hold the convention. It was felt by some union officials that the move would lead to a rejection by the ODT because of the government policy of discouraging conventions during wartime.

Addes Is Criticized

Widespread criticism of the International secretary-treasurer because of the choice of Grand Rapids was heard in Toledo and from some Detroit Locals during the past week. Delegates who attended last year's meeting are most outspoken in their opposition to the Michigan city.

One delegate from the 144 convention speaking of the choice of Grand Rapids for the 145 conference said, "I don't imagine George Addes would care too much if the ODT refused to grant the permission for the convention. After all, it would mean that he wouldn't have to worry about getting re-elected and that in itself would

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Phone Operators Get WLB Public Hearings

WASHINGTON (LPA)—Faced with a threatened strike of long distance and local phone operators in New York voted for April 20, the WLB has opened public hearings on the phone union's request or a reconsideration of the recent decision in their case before the Board.

The unions had asked for a $4 a week increase when their case was presented to the WLB. They now charge that while the company told the unions that it would support the $4 demand, it actually did nothing to reinforce the workers' request before the WLB. In previous negotiations the union had asked or $5 a week.

Labor School Gets $$$

ALBANY (LPA) — Praising the "leadership of labor" in N. Y. State, Governor Dewey has signed a bill appropriating the sum of $200,000 to be used in establishing a labor school at Cornell University.

Superseniority Schemes Riddled In Union Case

WASHINGTON April 2 (LPA) — A severe blow to half-baked schemes of "superseniority" for veterans has been administered by an arbitrator in a dispute between the Timken Roller Bearing Co., Canton, Ohio, and the United Steelworkers-CIO.

Hailed by CIO leaders as a precedent that will be influential in guiding lawyers, courts and other arbitrators in settling seniority disagreements, the ruling declared that Memorandum 190A "is no more than a statement of the views of the Natl. Headquarters of the Selective Service System." Memorandum 190A, which has caused considerable concern in union circles because of its variable interpretations, specifies that "a returning veteran is entitled to reinstatement in his former position or one of like seniority, status, and pay, even though such reinstatement necessitates the discharge of a non-veteran with greater seniority."

The memorandum is entitled to great weight, declared the arbitrator, Herman A. Gray, "but it is not controlling because it was not issued under any power either to interpret or to bind..."

The union, Gray found, "therefore is free to dispute the right of the company to follow the Memorandum rather the the terms of the collective bargaining contract."

"Nothing in the Act," the arbitrator continued, "provides that the returning veteran is to get more than he had when he left. Not a word is to be found that even suggests that he is to be favored above his older fellow workers and given a seniority standing superior to theirs, irrespective of the length of their employment with the employer. The veteran is not to lose by his term of service, but, likewise he is not to gain thereby. He is to be protected against economic loss as a consequence of his leaving, by being restored to his prior status; he is not to be given something which he did not have and could not have acquired even though he had not been compelled to leave and had continued to work without interruption."

The arbitrator's ruling concurred almost completely with the contentions of many labor

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CIO Program Plans For Victory Days

WASHINGTON April 3 (LPA) — CIO President Philip Murray last week advanced a series of proposals to "stabilize our war economy for the tough job ahead of completing the defeat of Japan" after V-E day and for reconversion after Japan's defeat.

Sent to all CIO international union presidents and also to War Mobilization Director James Byrnes, the plan proposes for immediate action a nationwide series of community-wide committees representing a cross section of the community to ask three basic questions: "1. What goods and services do we need? 2. What do we want? 3. What local capacities do we have for supplying our own needs and wants and what capacities do we have for exchanging goods and services with others at home and abroad?

Aid To Employment

The program of full employment he continued, "calls for 50% more peacetime production than ever before in this country. It means an enormous increase in the quantities of goods and services going to every individual American family. We can only distribute this abundance of goods and services by raising money incomes and keeping prices from rising (or by lowering prices as productivity increases.)"

Murray declared that "no-one has yet begun to translate these increases into terms of real goods and services which the average American can understand. When someone does, it will be seen that every family (and especially all families in the bottom two-thirds of the income scale) MUST consume more foodstuffs, more clothes, more household goods, better housing, better health care, better education facilities, more recreation, and later on perhaps more leisure, if our modern economy is to operate at levels of full employment and full production."

Legion Expected To Clear Seniority Stand

WASHINGTON, April 2 (LPA) — Clarification of the American Legion's confusing and contradictory position on job seniority for returning servicemen is expected at a two day conference of labor, veterans, industry and government representatives here on April 5-6.

Invited to the conference from labor are Robert J. Watt, international representative of the AFL, and a representative of the CIO Veterans Committee.

The Legion's ups-and-downs on the question of superseniority for veterans in recent months has created numerous doubts in labor ranks. Several weeks ago, behind the closed doors of the Retraining and Reemployment Administration in Washington, the Legion proposed that the seniority of all war workers be cancelled dating from May 1, 1940. Opposed on this scheme by all other veterans groups the Legion backtracked and agreed to a plan whereby workers with greater seniority than accumulated by a serviceman would not be bumped out of their jobs. Subsequently the Legion pulled out of this agreement.

With the question of superseniority still being battled back and forth in Washington, all branches of labor are waiting to s[illegible] Legion speaks publicly during the two-day conference.

The Legion announced that the conference will be sponsored by its Natl. Employment Committee and will be followed by a series of 12 regional conferences "in which 2,000,000 members of the Legion and its auxiliary will be welded into a sweeping, aggressive team to translate the Legion's program for maximum employment and the Legion's Program for Veterans' Employment into effective action."

In announcing the conference Chairman Lawrence Fenlon, of the Legion's Natl. Employment Committee, said that in his organization's employment plan "we emphasized the fact that the key to fullest possible postwar employment must lie in an expansion of the sales, service and distribution field."

Labor leaders and government economists, however, have emphasized that the "key" is in purchasing power which depends upon the highest possible wage standards.

Meet Place Opposed

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make the refusal of the government to hold the meeting worth while."

Must Have Meeting

Other sentiments ranged from the desire of hopeful delegates to attend a UAW convention to the claims of some UAW members that a convention was absolutely necessary this year. Typical of the ideas of the latter group was the statement of one worker who said, "Our union is just as necessary to the war effort as the soldiers who handle the supplies for the army. We need a convention this year as much or more than ever.

"If we are refused, it would be enough to create a suspicion that possibly someone in the union did not want us to meet this year. If our top officers want us to have a convention, we will have it. If they are opposed to us meeting, chances are that the government will say no to our application."

Discussion of the Addes plan for the Grand Rapids will probably be discussed in Local Union meetings throughout all sections of the country with some resulting protests either by the Locals or by individual members of the organization.

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leaders that a severe dislocation to the nation's economy would occur if hundreds of thousands of workers were fired to make way for veterans with less seniority.

Labor In Agreement

Labor found quick agreement with the arbitrator's statement that "The advantage which the interpretations set out in Memorandum 190A would seemingly give the veteran would, in the end, not profit him. The welfare of the veteran requires that he be assimilated as speedily as may be. Anything which serves to keep him differentiated and apart will do injury to him no less than to the community. Yet exactly that would result from any rule which would give to veterans a claim on jobs superior to all civilians."

The arbitrator concluded that under the union contract "no employe can be displaced to make room for a returned veteran if, after crediting the veteran with the seniority so accumulated, such employe still has the greater seniority." This provision, he said finally, is not in conflict with the Selective Service Act.

Profits Is NAM Plan

WASHINGTON, April 2 (LPA) — The "profits first" boys are finding solace in a Nat'l Ass'n of Manufacturers policy statement attacking OPA's pledge to keep prices down as industries reconvert to production of peacetime goods.

Unless they can get a good, juicy profit on every item they manufacture, NAM industrialists —and 120 manufacturers of all kinds of goods worked on the policy statement — will go on strike. That is exactly what the NAM reconversion committees announced in a bulletin published here last week.

Physical reconversion of plants to peacetime production will be simple, the NAM declares, compared with the job of getting profit-insuring prices on everything they make.

Must Modify Pricing

"There is no prospect," they quote manufacturers as saying, "of putting these new products promptly into reconversion period production and employing men, until the civilian pricing policy is modified. It is plain common sense, that no man will rush into making goods for little, or nothing, or a loss. Under such a policy, the sooner and larger his start, the sooner and more completely he goes broke."

Chief brunt of the NAM attack is borne by OPA Administrator Chester Bowles, who has been fighting for extension of the Price Control Act and for Congressional approval of continued funds for the agency. Bowles' reconversion policy, as enunciated some months ago, calls for high wages, low prices, and full production as the components of a healthy postwar economy.

Kick About Ceilings

The manufacturers kick especially hard about OPA's policy of not allowing price rises on civilian goods when the same company is making profits on war orders. The NAM would demand that a profit be allowed on every single item made.

While the committee proposals have been circulated in NAM publications, no active effort has been made to present them as NAM proposals before Congressional committees. Individual Senators and Congressmen with strong NAM ties have, however, been echoing the NAM line in recent debates on pricing policy.

Nisei Know How

Miss Yuki Kato, Japanese-American and an evacuee from Stockton, Cal., is one of the most valued workers in the St. Louis office of the United Retail, Wholesale & Dept. Store Employees-CIO. Mrs. S. W. Lechner, secretary to the union's St. Louis director, is shown with Miss Kato, who is 23 and came to her present job following a request by the union to the War Relocation Authority for staff assistance. Previously, Miss Kato was interned at the Rohwer Relocation Center in Arkansas where she had been sent after the evacuation of Nisei (American born Japanese) from the West Coast in 1941. (LPA)

Terror Technique Backfires Again

WASHINGTON, April 2 — (LPA)—There's a limit to the crime that may be committed by an employer in the name of free speech.

So the Natl. Labor Relations Board ruled last week when it set aside results of an election at Cleveland plants of Thompson Products and Thompson Aircraft Products—both headed by Frederick C. Crawford, former president of the Natl. Assn. of Manufacturers.

Crawford and his associates conducted an anti-union campaign of terror, in consequence of which both the Intl. Assn. of Machinists-AFL and the United Auto Workers-CIO lost an election at the plants.

Newspapers Smear Union

Newspapers smearing unions were distributed to the employes along with letters signed by officials. Workers were called in six times for rallies on company time, at which the unions were slandered further. They were told that if the unions won, their postwar jobs would be in jeopardy. Also, they were ordered to wear caps bearing anti-union slogans.

Crawford himself gave speeches in which he warned that a union victory would usher in "strife, brawls and trouble."

The company sought to defend all these tactics as permissible under the constitutional guarantee of "free speech," but the Board held that the company had obviously used its "economic power" to coerce the workers in violation of law. It therefore held the election invalid, so that the unions could make a new effort, free of company terrorization.

Army Fails To Follow WLB Orders At Ward's

WASHINGTON (LPA) — The U. S. Supreme Court's decision not to accede to requests by the Justice Dept. to rule on President Roosevelt's seizure of the Montgomery Ward properties "means it will take a minimum of a year before this case will be finally decided," Leo Goodman, Washington representative of the United Retail, Wholesale & Department Store Employes-CIO, declared this week. The Supreme Court has ruled twice that the case must first go through the Circuit Court of Appeals.

Escape Period Aids Union

DETROIT, Mich. — During the recent fifteen day "escape period" ordered by the War Labor Board in General Motors plants, the UAW-CIO gained more members than it lost, Walter P. Reuther, vice-president of the UAW-CIO and director of its GM department, announced.

The WLB directive of March 3 granted the UAW-CIO continuance of its maintenance of membership clause in more than 100 GM plants under contract with the union.

However, it fixed a 15 day period, starting March 5, during which workers might resign from the union. Failure to resign during that period, under the WLB directive, meant that membership in good standing would have to be maintained for a year as a condition of employment.

Show Net Gain

"We have just completed a poll of the GM plants and locals covered by our contract," Reuther said. "It shows that of the approximately 295,000 UAW-CIO members in GM plants, only 784 utilized the 'escape period' to withdraw from the union. During the same period, our GM locals enrolled 1,698 new members. This means a net gain of 984 members.

"Virtually every GM local union enrolled more members than it lost. Of the 784 who resigned from the union, 397 did so because of extreme resentment against War Labor Board failure to adjust plant wage grievances.

Govt. Admits Warnings Abrupt

WASHINGTON, April 2 (LPA) —The government last week conceded the truth of what organized labor has been contending for almost a year—that war production cutbacks frequently come without any advance notice and often so suddenly that management can make no plans for civilian production, and workers with only a few hours' notice are out of their jobs.

A special study of the effects of war contract cutbacks made by the Labor Dept. Bureau of Labor Statistics reported that in a survey of 80 plants "Cutback notification tended to be abrupt; in one-fourth of the cases the cutbacks were effective immediately upon receipt of the notice and in more than half of the cases notices of less than a month were given."

In some plants, management was able to transfer workers to other jobs not affected by the cutback, but in nearly one-third of these plants, said BLS, "most of the transferred workers were downgraded and received significant reductions in rates of pay. At two large establishments, the average pay for all transferred workers was reduced approximately 10%.

WLB Man Points Out Gains For Labor

WASHINGTON (LPA) — "Maintenance of membership is a constructive influence in stabilizing union-management relations," said Nathan P. Feinsinger, War Labor Board public member. He told the Colorado Labor Institute that, in addition to the 1,750,000 workers under maintenance of membership clauses ordered by WLB, about 2,000,000 workers are protected by such clauses voluntarily placed in contracts by unions and employers.

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what the voters are going to do to the PR system when they vote this fall" he said.

Speakers Committee Ready

A speakers committee consisting of 20 members has been organized by PAC and will conduct the campaign against the PR system. Speakers will be supplied to any organization which wishes to hear both sides of the PR issue. Plans call for seeking opportunities to speak before Parent-Teacher Associations, neighborhood groups, civic clubs and other organizations which are civic minded and interested in the method of electing members of city council.

As the campaign gets into full swing, challenges to debate on the PR system will be issued and accepted by the PAC speakers committee. Each speaker is completely conversant with the system and is prepared to explain it and argue against its retention.

Membership Growth Continues

Membership growth which has been spectacular, exceeding that of 1944 presidential year, continues unabated. New members are pouring in from all CIO Locals with the United Retail, Wholesale, Department Store Workers showing a marked increase during the last week.

PAC officials believe that the continuous growth of membership in the organization is due to interest in the repeal of the PR system and some have expressed the belief that the November election will be one of the largest since the adoption of the present method of conducting councilmanic elections.

Chairman Rusch commenting on the growth of PAC membership stated, "it may have seemed fantastic when we set our membership goal at 50,000, but from the present growth of the organization we do not believe we were over-optimistic. The remarkable growth of our organization in a year when there is no state or national election shows that the workers and plain people are alert and conscious of their political interests."

General Meeting Arranged

Plans have been made for a general PAC membership meeting on Monday, April 30 at Local 12 headquarters. A meeting for night shift workers will be held at 10:00 a. m. and for day shift workers at 8:00 p. m. Invitations will be sent to all neighborhood and civic clubs interested in the PR issue to attend.

An important announcement relating to the PR repeal will be made at the April 30 meeting. Members of PAC are asked to bring along their friends and relatives as the meeting is open to the general public.

1500-Mile 'Big Inch' Goes CIO

WASHINGTON (LPA)—Every inch of the Big Inch, stretching 1500 miles from Baytown, Tex., to Linden, N. J., is now covered by a union contract. Workers on the biggest pipeline in the world have chosen the Oil Workers Intl. Union-CIO as their collective bargaining agent. The union is preparing a master agreement designed to bring maximum benefits to workers in the six divisions into which the pipeline was divided for election purposes.

Twin Cities Co-op Expands Into Coal

MINNEAPOLIS (CLNS) — Purchase this month of a coal and building materials yard and a downtown auto repair garage marked the beginning of a major expansion program for Cooperative Services, Twin Cities' consumer cooperative. The Co-op is one of the largest fuel oil distributors in Minneapolis and operates a chain of service stations also. Next steps in the program are to be neighborhood food markets, and a downtown insurance and service center with the Cooperative Credit Union.

Women Workers Leaving Factories Faster

SAN FRANCISCO (LPA) Women are leaving industry more rapidly than men, reports State Labor Commissioner John F. Dalton, especially in the shipbuilding industry. Figures compiled by the Division of Labor Statistics show that shipyards other than government yards employed 24% fewer men in the same period.

WRITE TO THE MEN IN SERVICE

Government Steals Plan

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plan a year earlier, declared that "Present organization of the nation' machine tooling facilities which compels the individual industry or plant to rely primarily on their own tooling facilities, results in serious delays and tremendous waste of skilled engineering and technical personnel."

More Comparisons

In the past, the RFC statement continued, "weeks or even months sometimes elapsed before tools, not currently needed in one operation, could be released for a different production job. Under the trading pit method, this time-lapse is reduced to days, and, in some cases, even hours."

Reuther's proposal was to permit non-profit sales, leasing or renting of the machine tools. RFC revealed that between Jan. 10 and March 8, 1945, "a total of 4463 items have been authorized to be sold, transferred or leased to contractors engaged in war work."

There's another difference between the two plans.

The 1945 version was "developed" by RFC production engineers with the help of the Army technical services, Navy bureaus and procurement officers, the U. S. Maritime Commission and the War Production Board.

The 1944 plan was developed by Reuther and the UAW.

Pig-Skin Shoes Urged By Union

WASHINGTON (LPA) — The unions of retail shoe workers have stepped into the crisis created by a recent WPB announcement that almost no leather will be available to make shoes during the next three months. The unions have the backing of Congressmen and technical experts who say that under the union proposal more than 300,000,000 pairs of new shoes could be added to civilian supplies in the next year by the use of pig-skin.

A Good Idea?

NEW YORK (LPA)—In a letter to the editor of PM, a woman reader quotes Chester Bowles as saying, ". . . It always heartens me to get letters from consumers backing what we are doing, for they are the principal beneficiaries. Yet we get many more letters from those who want controls weakened . . ."

The writer suggests that "consumers who want price control strengthened . . . write and say so."

Management Holds The Line

A speaker at a reecnt Religion-Labor Luncheon in Columbus said that his investigations in a nation-wide tour revealed management no closer to economic democracy. He resignedly predicted that it would take another Depression to bring management to its senses.

The speaker pointed to accusations of the Automobile Industry that Labor was trying to "muscle in" on management. Until management realizes that Labor has a legitimate voice in the operation of industry, said the speaker, we shall see a continuation of the old conflict. The speaker, a representative of the Church, praised the C. I. O. National Industry Council Plan to bring all segments of society together for true economic democracy. If you are not yet familiar with this plan (outlined in the pamphlet RE-EMPLOYMENT), you should give it your serious study. Some of the best minds in the country say that C. I. O. has found the way.

GOP Looks Ahead

WASHINGTON (LPA) — Already tackling the 1946 campaign, the Republican Party plans to spend $750,000, it was revealed by National Chairman Herbert Brownell, Jr. last week. Apparently taking its cue from labor's successful election activities last November, the money will be spent in such activities as hiring a full-time between-campaigns radio director, the first in GOP history; establishing coordination with senatorial and congressional workers; and beginning a drive for small contributions "to spread the load over the large mass of Republican voters."

Bad Words

PHILADELPHIA (LPA) — Such words as "coon," "dago," "sheeny," and "wop" are to be removed from the dictionaries published by the John C. Winston Co. It is felt that "the words contribute to racial, religious and ethnic antipathies," and that people who find that such words are not in the dictionary will refrain from using them.

They 'Escape' Into Union

DETROIT (LPA)—Was General Motors surprised? During the recent 15-day "escape period" ordered by the War Labor Board, the United Auto Workers (CIO) gained more members than it lost, UAW Vice-President Walter Reuther revealed. During the period 1,698 members signed up. Total gain: 984 members.

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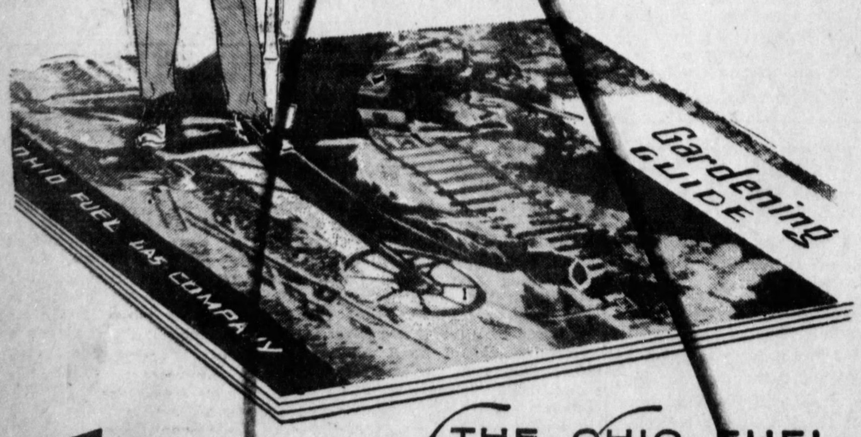

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After having but mediocre success in League play, Champion Unit Local No. 12 basketball team found themselves and competed for consolation honors in the Y. M. C. A. Industrial play-offs. The team proved their ability as basketeers when the pressure was on by beating Libbey-Owens-Ford 39 to 33.

The performance of Jack Clifford with 18 points on nine field goals and Gus Schumakers fine control off the backboards were the chief factors in this all important game.

For the winning of the consolation title, the Champion Squad is to receive a trophy that will soon be displayed in the trophy case in the main lobby. After careful consideration the team announced that Nick Velliquette would have the privilege of polishing the trophy case, so we wish that Nick would make a rush job of it as many people (the nine team members) would like to see it resting inside a highly polished glass encasement.

Members of the winning team were Jack Clifford, Gus Schumaker, John Woodward, Earl Bugbee, Gene Harless, Len Johnson, Bud Kramer, Alvin Farmer, Clayton Shepler and George Holtgrieve. Because of illness George was unable to play in the last few games.

The Champion Unit extends its sympathy to Marie Fought who lost her son recently in service. Glad to see you back on the job Marie.

A letter was received from Ruby Baker from Department "L" nites to thank every one for their thoughtfulness while she was in the hospital. To quote a part of the letter "I wish to express my thanks and gratitude for the lovely flowers my Union sent to me while I was in the Hospital, also my most sincere thanks to the workers of Department "L". I have received so many cards, flowers, candy and gifts, and I know of no other way I would be able to send thanks to my fellow workers. They're a grand group of people and its a pleasure to know 'and work with them.' —Ruby Baker.

Members of the Champion Unit extend their sympathy to Ursala Priest and sons in the death of Norman Priest a former employee and Union member who has been away from work for some time due to illness.

The 7th War Loan Drive is about to start, our quota has been figured to cover a three month period is $406,500.00, this will mean that each employee should purchase for cash or through payroll deduction $125 in bonds. If we would be successful in reaching our goal we feel sure it will carry a great deal of the load when our armed forces make their drive on Japan. "Let our cry be, "On to Tokio."

Bosses Must Bargain With Union Foremen, NLRB Rules

WASHINGTON, March 29 — (LPA)—The Natl. Labor Relations Board on Tuesday (March 27) reversed one of its own decisions of nearly two years' standing and ruled that foremen have the right to bargain collectively with their employers.

The NLRB's action overruled its finding in the Maryland Drydock case of May, 1943, which held that it was o. k. for foremen to organize and seek recognition but if the employer refuses to grant recognition the foremen must "grin and bear it" or go on strike.

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Toledo Stamping Notes

How so much could happen on a fishing trip is a mystery; but how Butch could have four fish on one line while Felix was fishing Louis out of the drink is a bigger one.

Ted Drocy received an Easter basquet, rabbit and all from the "happy gang" on the repair bench. It was for being a good boy.

Walter Zaremski went out to purchase an Easter bouquet. He returned four days later and admitted that all he could get was "Four Roses."

Minne Pregizer is advertising for a man. The only qualifications she sets forth is that he must have a ration book.

Said the minister to his flock, "there will be weeping and gnashing of teeth." Gandma Van Klingeren rose and said, "parson, what about the brothers and sisters that ain't got no teeth?" Replied the minister, "false teeth will be provided." Gandma slipped in her plates and sat down.

Ernie Jakubowski and Harry Mikolajczyk were in a huddle talking organization—of a fishing party.

Rose Thorsynski is hoping that her Johnny will be one of the boys from overseas to return. We hope so for you too, Rose.

Mather Unit Mutterings

By Jim Foltz

Our March 30th meeting was well attended, well conducted and has brought forth much enlightment. Thanks to Norm Meyers and Randolph Gray. It is the opinion of many the same meeting helped greatly in bringing about a better understanding of our troubles and has produced solidarity in our unit.

Can George Haussman peel the peach and cut the rugs? A Sunday or so ago he was in the groove according to Hank Mayo.

What is this about a little love nest on Chesterield Rd. Texas? And your wife insisting her eyes are not blue but very brown? Explain.

Kaiser Sinfelt has seen fit to leave us. Our unit has lost a good union man and a good brother. Our loss is the W. O. Unit's gain. Good luck Kaiser—we will miss you.

Is it true Louie Schallmad now operates a chicken farm is killing off all the roosters?

Tony Benista says Ray Glick is a good fishing companion if you want someone to go along to sleep in the car.

Have you joined the P. A. C.? Now is the time to do so.

A sincere apology to James Gatwood or having overlooked the act old pappy stork paid his wife a visit while she was residing in Toledo Hospital. A seven pound six-ounce baby boy and the name is Michael.

Ed Parrish has received some worth while suggestions which might benefit him—give 'em a whirl Eddie, and let us all know the results, please.

What was Pidgie doing on that little box in the little room at Bassetts just after the meeting last Friday evening?

Labor Paper Gets New Home

WORCESTER, Mass. (LPA)—A story that reads like Horatio Alger was re-told here last week, when the Worcester "Labor News" moved to a new home. The paper was started nearly 40 years ago, on a capital of $100, by an editor with 12 children to support.

Today, the "Labor News" publishes innumerable shop papers or unions all over New England, and has just moved into a new plant with a floor area o over 5000 feet, with its own presses and other equipment.

Canco Unit Opener

By Ted Modrowski

Ann Rybarczyk, Line 1 candidate for "Queen of Everything That's Lovely," spent the most painful three hours of her life last Friday afternoon. Being Good Friday, Ann had decided to make with the sacrifice so she vowed not to utter a sound from 12 to 3 P. M. Knowing women, we consider this the sacrifice supreme and when the hour hand had reached 3 o'clock Ann let out with a sigh that was heard and felt throughout the plant. Do you feel closer to heaven now Ann?

Mary DeMuth bought herself a new "bucket of bolts" and is wondering if she can get a big, husky male to ride to and from work with her. She claims it to be a tiresome job, pushing a big, stubborn automobile.

Mary Manrow, was one of the unfortunate occupants of a car involved in that bad accident last week. Mary was injured to the extent that hospitalization was necessary. Here's hoping her a speedy recovery.

MEETING FINE

A recommendation of the Executive Shop Committee at the next Unit meeting to be held Wednesday will be in regard to meeting fines. It is the opinion of the Committee that many ills can be cured by this means and a stronger, more active union at the American Can will be the final result. Much can be said about this matter, but rather than cover the whole issue here we will be looking forward to a record attendance at this next meeting for a general discussion of the matter.

We suggest you come armed to the meeting with an abundance of recommendations for changes in our 1945-46 contract. Negotiations will be opening on this in a short time and a few ideas from the membership would be appreciated.

It might also be well for some of you people who work alongside these non-unionists to put on some of that UAW pressure.

Worker Wins Airplane

PITTSBURGH (LPA)—Flights, and not of fancy, are at hand for Joseph F. Mandela, president of Pittsburgh local, Amalgamated Lithographers-AFL. Though he doesn't know how to fly the 38-year-old lithographer donated $1 to a Civil Air Patrol raffle, for the sake of his brother who is a B-29 mechanic in the Pacific area. That turned out to be the lucky ticket, and Joe Mandela now owns a Piper Cub plane.

The Acklinite

By Chet Krzeminski

THE CORRECT WAY TO FILE A GRIEVANCE: Go first to your department steward when a grievance occurs. The steward in turn will take the matter up with the department foreman. In the event satisfaction is not secured the shop chairman is called upon to carry the matter to the general manager for a prompt decision.

If no agreement is reached following these steps, the grievance should be put in writing (two copies) with the help of the committeeman and should be given to the chairman who in turn gives one copy to the secretary and one to the company management. The matter is then brought up in a joint meeting between the shop committee and representatives of management at the regular Wednesday afternoon meeting.

We wish a speedy recovery to all our injured and sick fellow members.

Write a letter or postcard to your state senators and representatives asking them to support and vote or Senate bill 94 and House bill 167 to increase unemployment compensation from $16 to $25 a week and to increase the time such payments can be made from 18 to 26 weeks.

Thanks to all who contributed so generously to the Red Cross drive.

Every worker should belong to the PAC. It only costs $1.00 a year and will more than repay you for the investment. Ask your committeeman about PAC.

Practice sessions for our softball team are held every lunch period at the rear of the shop. Frank Wekwert is looking for some willing prospects.

Give the welfare fund serious consideration. If you want the benefits you must help make them possible.

Our soldiers collection for March was successful and everyone who did their bit is given our's and the thanks of the boys in uniform.

Write a letter to our boys in the armed service. It isn't much, but they really appreciate hearing from the folks in their shop.

Here And There

R. J. Reynolds Tobacco Company (Camel cigarettes), seeking price increase, beefed to U. S. Senate at measley $31,620,000 profit for 1944 . . . American Veterans of World War II AMVETS, backed by Big Business, plan to picket strikers in St. Louis . . . New chairman of FCC reported that "public functions of broadcasting are becoming submerged by commercialism" . . . Mrs. Eleanor Roosevelt led top-ten list of outstanding women chosen by ADVANCE (Amalgamated Clothing Workers paper) . . . C. I. O. President Murray called for spur on local government planning agencies for post-war projects . . . DuPont family again led campaign donation lists with $109,832 for Dewey . . . CIO-PAC given clean bill of health by Congressional Campaign Expenditures Committee.

Veterans Prefer The Metal Trades

WASHINGTON (LPA)—Discharged soldiers enrolling in the apprentice training service of the War Manpower Commission are showing a preference for the metal trades, it was disclosed by WMC last week. Reports from 15 states show that 53% of the veterans are indentured in the metal trades, with 40% in the construction industry and the remaining 7% in other apprenticeable occupations. The ratio of Army to Navy veterans is almost two to one. Upon entering apprenticeship, 11% of the discharged men were given credit for experience gained while in the armed services. The majority, it was stated, had no overseas experience, and 75% had served less than two years in the armed forces. About half were credited with the work experience they had prior to induction.

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W-O Unit Seeing Eye

STINKER

We often wonder if the City Council ever heard of the 20th ward. Well Sirs, it is out Front Street and its famous land mark is that large gas tank that stinks up the whole neighborhood. There is also a park that the citizens used to take a great deal of pride in, and is known as Collins Park. It also has a large tank on it, but it is filled with water containing one million gallons. This park contains three of four ball diamonds and a swimming pool both going to seed. The floor of the pool has spaces between the slabs so big that if you caught your feet in them, you would be crippled for life.

No playground equipment of any kind is provided so the children play on the streets. The caretakers house hasn't had a coat of paint or any repairs for years.

When the children go to the park to play, parents worry wondering if they will come home safe because they have to cross several railroad tracks to reach the park. We suggest that two pedestrian tunnels be built; one at York Street! the other at Consual Street. This ward has been neglected long enough. Wake up, Mr. Jurrus! Don't Jurrus, Mike DiSalee and Earl Lehman have time from rat watching excursions for the people's business?

And Ollie Czelusta, the Councilman who was elected to represent Polish wards but actually lives in the 21st ward, finds fault with the Willys Overland dump because the people around his adpoted ward are complaining about the smoke. Does Ollie ever think about the people who elected him from the 4th ward being bothered by smoke from the dumps over in the ward in which he was born? We think its about time we elected our own Councilmen and started a program for the benefit of our children.

A suggestion to all the members who have attained the age of 21 years and who are not registered—visit 217 Superior Street next to the Esquire Theatre, and take care of this.

Have you signed the P. R. Recall Petition yet? If not, see your Steward. Also join the P. A. C.

To members of Dept. 460. Sorry but we cannot print your poetry in this column—would like to but do not have the space. We know Alice Gozdowski is always busy. Fern is also a good worker when her feet don't hurt her.

The little gal from the country, Bettie La Bo, is a real worker. Also Rosetta Annarino the seniority girl, small in stature but full of pep.

Helen Emmick is still on sick leave. Marcella is getting along OK, but it will be sometime before she returns.

Leo is getting a new suit. He ordered it for New Years, was promised it by Easter, but expects to get it for Decoration Day.

Veterans who are willing to serve on the Willys Unit Veterans Committee are requested to get in touch with Ray Wales in the Executive Committee office. This is an important committee, so do not hesitate if you are a veteran.

Night Shift Gets Pay Boost

WASHINGTON (LPA)—Higher pay for third shift workers in five plants of General Motors Corp. was granted by the War Labor Board last week. The United Electrical, Radio & Machine Workers-CIO, representing 31,000 GM workers in the five plants, won a 7½% differential for night workers, retroactive t. October, 1943, plus due and initiation fee checkoff.

Attention Shop Reporters

Due to a newsprint shortage and War Production Board restrictions, we ask that shop reporters write shorter news items and not use up space writing editorials. It is the desire of the editors to give each shop as much space as possible, therefore if each will cooperate it will make our task lighter.

All shop columns must be sent in not later than 8:00 p. m. each Monday. Those failing to reach the JOURNAL office by that time will appear the week following.

Please do not send in poetry. If possible type your columns with a one inch margin at each side and double spaced. Your cooperation will be greatly appreciated.

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Spending Your Buck

Local 12 Research Dept.

From current reports it would seem that OPA in its annual fight to renew price control has discovered what labor investigators of price control found over a year ago. Housewives are being gypped (and plenty) by over ceiling prices.

Price administrator Bowles testifying before the Senate Banking committee stated that 13% of all retail food sales are being made at over ceiling prices. It is estimated that these violations are costing the housewives of America about a billion dollars a year in grocery store overcharges.

This is one item that the BLS and WLB have constantly refused to take into account in their rigid and unyielding stand on the Little Steel formula.

On the other side of the fence however, from Mr. Bowles testimony, we learn that corporations have suffered none at all from price control in spite of all their claims to the contrary.

YEAR PROFITS

Profits after payment of taxes rose from around $4,000,000,000 in 1939 to some $10,000,000,000 in 1944, and no one was going to get rich out of this war.

Mr. Bowles further stated that profits of all manufacturing corporations were 256% above the prewar base period of 1936 to 1939.

Profits of the apparel manufacturing industries rose 214%, profits of textile mills went up 503%, leather and leather products 381% and rubber products 612%.

Retail distributors haven't done so badly either according to the Price Administrator who points out that profits of small furniture stores in 1943 were 170% above the prewar base, variety chains 250%, mens apparel stores 299% and department and specialty stores 104.6%.

With these figures in mind it is hard to see where OPA has limited profits as is so often charged by corporations and their stooges in congress. A good indication of the way these gentlemen work may be seen in the concerted drive that is now under way by the meat packers and processors for higher meat prices. They claim that OPA ceilings are responsible for meat shortages and black markets operations. The only cure for these they claim, are higher prices or more subsidies. Higher prices and meat will once more be plentiful. It sounds like the old squeeze play but it has worked for all the rest and will probably work for them as well.

UWOC Files For Certification

CLEVELAND, March 30—A petition was filed today with the National Labor Relations Board for certification of the bargaining unit in the Toledo Edison Co. Toledo, it was announced here today by C. C. Smith of the CIO Regional office of this city.

CIO Requests Added Benefits For Veterans

WASHINGTON, March 24 — (LPA)—Extension of the Emergency Maternity and Infant Care program — now available to wives of enlisted men—to include wives of veterans, widows of service men, and infants born after the father has left the service was asked of Congress this week by the CIO.

In a letter to Rep. Butler Hare (D. S. C.), chairman of the subcommittee of the House Appropriations Committee which is now considering renewal of the EMIC program, CIO President Philip Murray said:

"The program now covers only enlisted men of the four lower grades. The pay differential between those grades and the three upper grades is not very substantial — certainly not enough to relieve the men in the upper grades of worry about meeting maternity expenses. The program at present is rigidly limited to women whose husbands are servicemen at the time of their application. A woman whose husband is killed in battle before she makes application cannot get these benefits. The same is true of a woman who has failed to apply before her husband's discharge. This is working considerable hardship on many families and could be remedied by giving women a certain time—six months perhaps—after the separation of their husbands from service, in which to apply. At present an infant born under the program cannot benefit by the infant care provisions if the father has left the service before its birth. We hope that this will be changed to permit all infants born under the program to benefit by the program for the first year of life.

Vet's Job Rush Given Preview

WASHINGTON, April 2 — (LPA)—Union officials dealing with job rights for veterans are watching with interest a supplement to a contract between the Studebaker Corp. and the South Bend local of the UAW-CIO, signed recently.

Under the agreement, veterans of World War II (including merchant seamen) who have no re-employment status elsewhere under the Selective Service Act, are given seniority credit for their military service after they have completed the usual nine-month probationary period in a Studebaker plant. This privilege is available to veterans for 12 months after their discharge.

This agreement saved the jobs of 143 veterans at the time of a recent cutback at the South Bend plant. Complicating the picture, however, was the fact that 40 servicemen's wives, fired at the time, threw a "protest" picket line around the union's headquarters.

The whole South Bend situation, union spokesmen here agree, illustrates the immense complexity of trying to do justice to every worker when there is not full employment.

Joint Council Jottings

Editor's note: This is the first column for the Toledo Joint Board, United Retail, Wholesale, Department Store Workers.

KUEHMAN UNIT

Lottie (Rybka) Czajkowski is spending Easter in Pennsylvania, near Pittsburg. She is with her husband who has a 13-day furlough.

Hazel Hines is another who spent the Easter week end away from home. She visited with her daughter in Michigan.

Hazel Spaller is on sick leave. Everybody in the shop misses her and wishes her a speedy recovery.

Ray Poturalski has signed up with the Army. He will be missed especially by the girls, particularly Roberta Pickens. It looks like the war isn't going to last much longer so that ought to be some consolation.

Lottie (Kikolski) Rosanski has returned to the plant after spending seven months in Oklahoma with her husband. He is now in Italy and Lottie needs a bit of cheering up.

We extend our sincere sympathy to Virginia Alofs whose husband was killed in an auto accident near Washington where he was stationed.

A big event—Mr. and Mrs. Bernard Schroeder recently celebrated their second wedding anniversary.

Pvt. Erwin Bagrowski is recovering in a Cleveland hospital from wounds received in action. We think we would be glad to hear from the Kuehman gang.

Pfc. Aloysius Radlinski is hospitalized in Holland from wounds sustained in a mine explosion. We have the address for those who want to write.

Charlotte Beeth,
Unit Reporter.

Reconversion Is No Excuse For Wage Cuts

PHILADELPHIA (LPA) — If the Natl. War Labor Board adopts the policy set forth last week by its Third Regional WLB in Philadelphia, there will be no cuts in reconversion pay. When a company reconverts to civilian production, the regional board ruled, it must continue to pay wartime wage rates.

The decision was made when the Richmond Radiator Co., Uniontown, Pa., attempted to reduce a 78c an-hour minimum for common labor to 72½c.

Triple Play Puts Garrison On WLB

WASHINGTON, (LPA)—The President's appointment of Lloyd K. Garrison, public member of the Natl. War Labor Board, and dean of the University of Wisconsin Law School, as vice chairman of the Board, was announced last week by the White House. Mr. Garrison succeeds Chairman George W. Taylor, who moved up from the vice chairmanship on March 9, when Chairman Wililam H. Davis became Director of Economic Stabilization.

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Shortsighted Policy

Ever since the creation of the National War Labor Board, labor has complained about the eagerness shown by a large section of industrial management to seize upon even the most trivial pretext to send cases to the Board for settlement.

Private industry, traditional foe of government bureaucracy, regulation and control, seems to have been able to overcome its dislike for at least one government agency in its frenzied attempts to cripple collective bargaining and through this means to weaken, if not actually destroy the unions.

The long parade of insignificant cases, the briefs, the appeals, and other time-consuming expedients used by industrial management and its paid legal lights throughout this war period are proof sufficient, that regardless how cordially industry dislikes government bureaucracy, its dislike and hatred of organized labor is greater.

Insignificant cases which in normal times could have been settled in a few hours by sensible men talking across the conference table have cluttered up the War Labor Board to such an extent that important cases with legitimate and serious differences of opinion between labor and management have waited for months, while trivial cases have occupied the time and efforts of the Board.

Just how shortsighted have been those managements which have grasped upon the War Labor Board as an expedient to harass, obstruct, and provoke their workers will not be seen until after this war emergency has passed, but if management finds itself saddled with petty controls and a multiplicity of regulations at the hands of government, it will have nobody to blame but itself.

Obviously, if management does not have the intelligence, the tact and willingness to settle its unimportant differences with labor during these war years when the welfare of the country hinges upon unity and cooperation, how can we expect it to show a sudden birth of reason once the emergency has passed?

Industrial management by its labor-hating policies and use of the War Labor Board during the war has sown the wind. It will be surprising if it doesn't reap a postwar whirlwind in the form of added government controls.

Byrnes Resignation

Organized labor welcomes the resignation of James Byrnes, "assistant president'" as Chief War Mobilizer.

Called to a position which by its very nature was a thankless task, Mr. Byrnes not only showed a willingness to be a whipping boy for the administration. but through his own initiative placed himself in a position where he became the target for sharp criticisms which his actions merited.

Through the efforts of Army and Navy brass hats, War Mobilizer Byrnes has gone overboard for the program of the armed services, to such an extent that he indicated his willingness to freeze men to their jobs, not only during the war, but according to his own statement, in the reconversion period as well.

Mr. Byrnes was the chief proponent of the Work-or-Jail legislation which now seems destined to be sidetracked by a Senate which is unwilling to pass such a stringent law in the face of what appears to be certain military victory in Europe. As such, he earned the bitter opposition of labor leaders and the rank and file of the unions.

Just what place Mr. Byrnes will occupy when this war is ended is a question, but from this close view, it appears that he will go down in history.

7th War Loan

Although the war is succeeding in driving the enemy back on all fronts, the need for financial support for the war effort will exist as long as we have a large army and until the day of final victory.

With this thought in mind, our government is calling on us again, through the 7th War Loan Drive which opened this week to purchase bonds, as many as possible to further aid in the financing of the war and hasten its end.

At a time when the armies of Germany are reeling before the blows of our great armies and the Japs are being driven back on their heels, our support is needed more than ever. Our part is not to fight and die, but to do what we can to aid those who are making the biggest sacrifices. By all means buy bonds, buy as many as you can and remember you are not giving your money to the government, but merely loaning it.

On The Beam

By Clayton W. Fountain

Cheer up, boys and girls, your problems have all been solved.

Eric Johnston, Bill Green and Phil Murray have put their noodles together to cook up a new "charter" for labor and industry.

Under this "charter," a better life will be built on the basis of the following principles:

"The rights of private property . . . under a system of private competitive capitalism, must continue to be the foundation of our nation's peaceful and prosperous expanding economy.

"The inherent right and responsibility of management to direct the operations of an enterprise shall be recognized and preserved; management must be free as well from unnecessary governmental interference or burdensome restrictions.

COLLECTIVE BARGAINING

"The fundamental rights of labor to organize and to engage in collective bargaining with management shall be recognized and preserved . . .

"An expanding economy at home will be stimulated by a vastly increased foreign trade."

I rise to express a vigorous dissent from the policies expressed in this so-called "charter."

President Murray and other CIO leaders may mean well by lending themselves to the formulation of this "charter", but as a dues-paying member of the CIO, I reserve the democratic right to criticize the labor statesmen who have become parties to this agreement with the Chamber of Commerce.

The rank and file of labor should have exercised their right to discuss this thing before it was agreed to, but since there were no chances to engage in such preliminary discussions, the best we can do is to take the thing apart now.

FOUGHT FOR RIGHTS

In the first place, the Chamber of Commerce is not giving labor anything when it agrees that we have the right to organize and bargain collectively. We fought for this right and won it, over the combined opposition of the Chamber of Commerce, the National Association of Manufacturers, flocks of reactionary politicians and most of the daily press.

So, now that the right to organize and bargain collectively is secured by the Wagner Act and the contracts that have been negotiated and placed in effect—the Chamber of Commerce very kindly says: We recognize this right.

So Eric Johnston very charitably gives us something that we already have.

COMPETITIVE CAPITALISM

Secondly, I refuse to accept the theory that a "system of "private competitive capitalism" is the one and only economic arrangement that will guarantee prosperity and democracy in America.

The organized capitalists of this country talk much about competitive capitalism, but they do not practice it. Monopoly capitalism more nearly describes the system that Eric Johnston has persuaded Green and Murray to agree to perpetuate.

And monopoly capitalism is the force that gives Fascism its power. When the monopoly capitalists move into government, and use it to protect their profits, privileges and power, the result is Fascism.

As an ardent believer in the cooperative movement, I reject private capitalism as a cure for the world's ailments. The brave new world that I want to build is one in which capitalists will be relieved of their power to get fat and sassy on the profits they make out of other people's sweat and labor.

Unlike the Daily Worker, I still believe, that if labor is talked into acting the role of the lamb who laid down with the lion, it will be gobbled up by the Chamber of Commerce.

"The trade-union movement is fundamentally a democratic one, born of the need to protect people from being bought and sold like bags of cement."
—Stuart Chase,
Economist and Author.

It's News To Me . . .

By O. J. Pecord

SLOGANS

Slogans and catch phrases have ever been an effective means of stimulating people to support causes about which they feel deeply.

Long before there were paid publicity men, slogans were doing their work just as surely as "the pause that refreshes," "Watch the Fords Roll By," "Makes Things Soft and Fluffy" and dozens of other expedients used to make people trademark conscious.

"God Wills It" activated thousands of warriors to buckle on their swords back in the days of chivalry and to march and fight in the face of almost insurmountable odds to retake the Holy Land from the Mohammedans.

"Taxation Without Representation" stirred the ire and resistance of a thinly populated but determined group of British colonies and ended in the creation of our present American government.

"He Kept Us Out Of War" probably did more to elect Woodrow Wilson for his second term as president than all the pacifist speeches made during the 1916 campaign.

In a war weary country populated with starving and landless workers and peasants, Lenin's slogan, "Peace, Bread and Land" proved to be the simple but powerful formula by which a revolution was brought about and prepared the way or modern Russia.

SIXTY MILLION JOBS

Today, this country has a proposition facing it for which slogan already has been found, a slogan about which the people feel very deeply and for which they are prepared to make a fight. It is a simple slogan, but it carries the weight of a basic desire on the part of practically every American—"60,000,000 jobs."

Today, for the first time in their history, the American people have discovered that it is possible to find work for everybody who is able and willing to work. Today, based upon the contentions of the government, there not only exists sufficient work for all, but more than enough work.

In this time of national crisis brought about by the war, the people are cooperating in the greatest productive effort in the history of the world. Even with wartime profits reaching spectacular heights, the nation is cooperating in an effort to out-produce, out-kill and out-destroy its enemies. Its a remarkable accomplishment worthier of a better cause.

Sixty million jobs. There's a slogan for you! No unemployment except for a few persons who are constitutionally opposed to work under any condition and refuse to toil. These people are no good for the country or themselves and we can skip them. But for the other millions who wish to work, 60,000,000 jobs is a goal to anticipate.

Sixty millions jobs, so that the college graduates can step out into work for which they are fitted by their education instead of becoming gas station attendants who can say to the customers, "isn't this a lovely day," instead of "ain't it nice out today."

Sixty million jobs so that young men can get married with the assurance that they will be able to support their families and give them proper food, clothing and educational opportunities.

Jobs that will give the factory worker, the clerk, the butcher, the baker and all other lines of work and business a chance to exist and live as the means of the country make possible.

PLANNING REQUIRED

To bring about the desired employment will require study and planning on the part of government, business and labor. It will require cooperation and coordinated effort on the part of all parties concerned, for it will be the first time, if it ever is accomplished, that there were sufficient jobs for all without resorting to war to bring about employment.

The question that must be answered is this—can government, business and labor really cooperate to bring about widespread employment and effect a more stable economy not subject to the violent fluctuations which have occured in the past?

It is not sufficient that Philip Murray, William Green and Eric Johnson sit down and make a few pious passes at each other and come forth with some glittering generalities about the rights of capital and the rights of labor. It is not sufficient that our government consider legislation which will make the President a sort of economic general who outlines the needs of the country and seeks to get a political legislative body to cooperate 100 per cent.

The one detriment that so far has been played down or actually given the silent treatment, is the profits which are to go to the businessmen for their enterprise. Obviously, if profits are to continue unrestricted and the opportunity for the profit taker is to be stabilized, then no plan for full employment can operate without eventually becoming hopelessly entangled.

Before full employment can be guaranteed, profits must be sharply limited or the plan for 60,000,000 jobs will ultimately fail even if the jobs should actually be created. The profit motive is the answer to the success or failure of any plan for stabilized full employment.

It's a great slogan "60,000,000 jobs", maybe we can realize it.

Servicemen's Letters

Wants Old Job

Philippine Islands

Dear Sir:

I will try and answer your welcome letter which I received last night. I was more than surprised to hear from the union at this time. Last year I heard from them, but didn't expect to this year as I have been away since 1941. I didn't expect a union to keep track of one of its members that long, but I guess they don't forget us so easy at that.

I hope to be back in the near future and see if they have forgotten when we come back and ask to see if we get our old job back, or whether some woman or other man has our job for good. Then we will know for sure if they have forgotten us or not.

Well things are a bit quiet now. Some difference than when we first hit the beach, but I guess we are lucky at that.

Very truly yours,
Kemp

Tell all the fellow members goobye and good luck.
Serv. Co. 382 Inf. A. P. O. 96
T/5 Wm. C. Kemp 35012027
c/o PM. San Francisco, Calif.

A Square Deal

Dear Mr. Gosser,

I just thought I'd drop you a line, to let you know that everything is coming along fine. I am receiving your packages regularly and I still can't get over receiving so many useful things in one package. I know that I don't rate anything from the Union, and its members, as I have always gotten more than a square deal from them. Still, it makes me happy to think that I am not forgotten over here.

Sometimes I wonder to myself, how an outfit as large as the C. I. O. can get along so beautifully, and in such harmony. I guess its because its members and its leaders are all working for the same end, to help the under-dog. I would like to thank each and every individual, who has to do with sending these boxes. However, I'll thank you and you can pass my thanks on to the rest. My very best wishes go to you and the members of the CIO.

Best of luck as always,
Corp. James K. Velker,
U. S. M. C.

Up To Date

To: Richard Gosser
Dear Mr. Gosser,

I just received your letter at my new address and very glad to hear from you, even if its quite a spell since the last time. Your letter is very nice and its good to see that you're so thoughtful in it so all I can say is that I've been receiving the boxes on time and the newspaper of the Union and the shop, so you see I'm up on my news of the Home Front, due to the fact of the Local 12 sending me the gift boxes, so from a G. I. Joe to a swell guy and Union I wish to say thanks a million and these things will not to be forgotten by me.

As ever,
Pvt. Wm. E. Paprocki

Political Action

by Clayton Rusch
Chairman of the Political Action Committee

A squad of PAC volunteer workers are reporting for duty each Wednesday evening at 8 p. m. Between the hours of 8 p. m. and 10 p. m. each Wednesday evening a considerable amount of detail office work is done. This constitutes a real contribution toward the realization of the PAC program.

Last week Esther Kosha, Margaret Lather, and Marie Healey all of the Willys Overland Unit, worked on this project. The project will be continued each Wednesday. Anyone desiring to help is welcome.

The PAC office service bureau was created so that anyone with a social problem such as unemployment, unemployment compensation, old age pension, industrial compensation, widow's pension or any other problem could bring it to our office. Those with problems of industrial compensation are urged to come to our office as soon as possible after the occurance in order to avoid the claim being outlawed by statute of limitations.

Now is the time when the Ohio legislators should be bombarded with mail demanding passage of Senate bill 94 and House bill 167. These bills call for increasing unemployment compensation from $16 for 18 weeks to $25 for 26 weeks. Every worker should declare himself a committee of one to recruit all his friends to send penny postal cards to the Ohio legislators on these bills.

Address the communications to the following legislators, State Senators, Raymond Hildebrand and Virgil Cramer and State Representatives, Wm. Donovan, Opal Mundy, Chester Early, Fred Hunt, Benj. Reading, State House, Columbus, Ohio.

To send a postal card to each of them cost the sender seven cents. Passage of these bills means the difference in unemployment compensation between $288, the present maximum and $650, the maximum provided or in Senate bill 94 and House bill 167. This means that if enough people send the cards the workers gain $362 in unemployment compensation.

This is far above the 600 to one percent of the numbers game is not gambling, but legitimate political action.

This incident among many others proves that political action "pays off" with increased economic security and civil liberties for all the people.

CREDIT

Credit for the rapid advances being made by PAC this year should be given to those who have worked hard in and out of their shops signing up new members for the organization. The growth of PAC while not being spectacular has surpassed our expectations this early in the year and gives promise of reaching a new high.

The really spectacular work of PAC members showed up during the past week when thousands signatures on petitions for repeal of the PR system of electing city councilmen were turned into the PAC office. The amazing thing about this was that two members alone secured 1560 signatures to the petitions which is remarkable in view of the fact that the job of securing the names was done on their spare time.

Another group to whom great credit should be given are the members of the speakers committee. This group has volunteered to serve during the year and will go into various meetings to carry the message of the PAC and explain its program for social legislation.

One of the most important functions of the speakers committee will be to conduct the active campaign against the PR system of electing city councilmen. Our speakers are being trained to they will be able to discuss the PR system intelligently and show all the reasons why it should be defeated.

A research department has been created which will be headed by Harold Billheimer, Local 12 research director. This department has important work to do which will be more in evidence as the campaign against PR gets into full swing.

Regional Views

By Richard Gosser
Director Region 2B, UAW-CIO

THE SKILLED WORKER

As a member of the skilled trades, my sympathies are with the workers who have contributed more than their bit in time of war and peace to the industrial plants of this nation.

We of the UAW-CIO recognize the problem of the skilled workers and talk frankly about it. We do not talk out of both sides of our mouth at the same time as at least one other union has done, and say, "lo the poor skilled tradesman" and shed a few lousy tears that mean nothing unless backed up by action.

Certainly the skilled workers have a case and nobody recognizes it better that the UAW. Yet, we can't prevent some other group from talking and saying what they want to say, although we know that even with the situation as it is for the skilled trades, those under the UAW-CIO are doing better than the other organizations' members in spite of the crocodile tears.

I don't want anybody to get me wrong. I don't want anyone to get an idea before I write another word that I think that production workers and skilled workers are East and West and "never the twain shall meet." Each is dependent upon the other. They should be united.

INTERDEPENDENCE

This business of setting the skilled workers as a group apart from the production workers is a device used by the unscrupulous whose interest is served, not by uniting the workers in one organization which has strength because of its unity, but in keeping them divided. The two are not apart. They have separate and distinct work to do, but their interests are similar despite what anyone may say.

To achieve production, the workers who work on production must have the dies and necessary tools to do the job. This job of producing the tools of production belongs to the skilled workers.

On the other side, without the production worker the job of the skilled worker has no reason for existing.

Together, skilled and production workers bring out the finished product which is not the product of the skilled workers alone, nor of the production workers alone, but of both working together.

Based on this type of setup, and all production work is based upon the workers in skilled and production jobs, there isn't a reason in the world why they should be kept separated by artificial bars which do not exist in fact, but which were created for the sole purpose of dividing them.

(TO BE CONTINUED)

From The Desk

of Melvin Schultz
President, Local 12, UAW-CIO

Last week, I quoted a letter from a former member of Local No. 12, who is now in the Armed Forces in England. This brother asked that his name not be published; however, he was to me very sincere in writing of the things that are transpiring among the G.I.'s on foreign soil.

I mentioned in my article that it appears to me, strike situations are propagandized without showing the underlying reasons for these situations. I can understand very readily how people react upon being told of the condition which effects their immediate concern. It is undobtedly true that the fellow in the Armed Forces, who is only told that people are on strike, feels that they are depriving him the implements of which to defend himself. By hearing the word "strike" he associates it with laboring people.

This is too often a false conclusion because there are many, many so-called strikes which should be termed by the public press as "lockouts." The term "lockout" should be used as it is more closely assosiated with the employers. My reason for claiming that the term "lockout" should be used is the fact that in many, many instances employers by one act after another agitate a condition among the workers in their plants, until action is taken unthinkingly by their employees. The blame then, of course, is publicly proclaimed to be on the shoulders of the employees, whereas, it really should be on the shoulders of management.

Relative to the figure mentioned which was made about a family income in this country, I am quite sure that every soldier who returns after the war to make a living for himself and a family in this country will find that the figures quoted will be even below what he may desire for a decent standard of living. It is not my thought to in any way agree that the present allotment given to the wives and children of servicemen is by any stretch of the imagination correct. It should be recalled that the CIO. has been a leading exponent of increased allotments for servicemen's families and increased pension and separation pay for the veterans. The servicemen should not forget that it lies within the power of our Congress to grant them these necessary increases. I certainly hope that upon their return they become active in the CIO's program so that their benefits can be made equitable as they justly should be.

FOREST FIRES RESPECT NO TREES

Racial and religious mobocracy is like a forest fire that obviously cannot be restricted to a particular kind of tree. So, persecution by irresponsible groups cannot be restricted to any particular race or religion. Catholics can be sure that if anti-Seminism continues, they will be the next victims.

—Father J. Elliot Ross, C. P. A.

'Minister of Fear' Rumored Top Notch Dramatic Film

Living up to a superlative reputation isn't easy, but Ray Milland's stock goes up a notch higher, if that's possible, in the eyes of preview audiences who report his performance in "Ministry of Fear" is unsurpassed. Fresh from recent successes like "Till We Meet Again" and "Lady in the Dark," Ray has rolled up an impressive record which gets better with each picture.

Milland appears with Marjorie Reynolds in this Paramount psychological drama. Other excellent artists in the cast include Carl Esmond, Hillary Brooke, Percy Waram and Erskine Sanford. The theme of "Ministry of Fear" rests on suspense, mystery and intrigue but strikes a romantic note, too. The film is an adaptation of Graham Greene's stirring novel and is produced by Seton I. Miller with direction by Fritz Lang, master of the kind of motion picture art projected in this movie.

The Grapewine Reports

Grapevine reports prove that Ray seemingly neyer falters when called upon to put his best foot forward picture after picture. He did an excellent job in "The Major and the Minor," repeated again in "Lady in the Dark" and "The Uninvited" and tops it all with his best yet, "Ministry of Fear." It's a story of hair-raising proportions, presenting Ray as a man who seeks peace but accidentally falls into circumstances which haunt his physical and mental well-being every step of the way. He finds a trusting friend in Marjorie Reynolds, the sister of Carl Esmond in the story, the latter two being members of a supposedly charitable organization in England during wartime.

The Plot Thickens

The group turns out to be a subversive outit and Ray loses what he believes is the final friendly hand. All this occurs after Ray has accidentally come into possession of a map Nazi agents are attempting to steal. It's the basis for the film story —actually, the real drama lies in the ruthlessness of Milland's enemies, the shere suspense which hovers over every move by all members of the cast and, finally the denoument which clears the air of the deep veil of mystery.

It's a picture which must be seen to be appreciated to the fullest extent.

When Betty Smith's sensational best-seller, "A Tree Grows in Brooklyn," comes to the screen of the Paramount Theatre, movie-goers will be quick to recognize what has been acclaimed as the greatest casting achievement to come out of Hollywood in many years. The memorable characters of the merry, tender and heart-warming 20th Century-Fox film appear above: Dorothy McGuire as "Katie," who forgot that loving a man was thinking with your heart; James Dunn as "Johnny Nolan," who sang because singing was the laughter of angels: Joan Blondell as "Aunt Sissy," who wasn't bad but only friendly; Peggy Ann Garner as "Francie," the little girl who dreamed with her eyes wide open; Ted Donaldson, whose world was Brooklyn and "alla candy you can eat"; and Lloyd Nolan as "McShane" who knew it was an officer's duty to look after the ladies.

Flyer's Air Medal Gift To Actress

HOLLYWOOD (Special) — Greater tribute hath no G. I. fan—

So feels petite Gloria DeHaven, Metro - Goldwyn-Mayer actress, upon receipt of an Air Medal sent her by S/Sgt. Rex A. Sanchez, of a bomber squadron attached to the Eighth Air Force—who won it only after a series of flights, and fights, over Germany.

Declared Sanchez, in his letter, "I guess I did sweat a bit to earn it, but it's of no consequence. It would hurt me more if you did not accept it."

Gloria felt that she shouldn't keep the airman's medal, and on the other hand, didn't want to hurt his feelings by returning it to him.

However, Gloria wrote the Sergeant a "thank you" letter and explained that she would retain the medal at his request, but would return it at the end of the war—possibly in person!

ACROPHOBIC ACTRESS

Marjorie Reynolds, who plays the feminine lead in "Duffy's Tavenrn," suffers so acutely from acrophobia (fear of high places) that she lives on "the flattest street in Hollywood."

News and Gossip of Stage and Screen

Giving You The Warm Shoulder

Lana Turner has become a national institution for thousands of G.I. Joes everywhere. Now she has a chance to see what a uniform feels like in her new film "Keep Your Powder Dry," a story of the WAC.

Music Arranger Is Stars' Favorite

HOLLYWOOD. — Bing Crosby, Betty Hutton, Dorothy Lamour and others of their ilk won't twitch a tonsil if the shadow of Joseph R. Lilley isn't tall on the music sheet.

Movie music-makers usually have thinning hair, beat their children and care little about earthquakes, the California climate and temprament.

One needn't look further than Lilley to discover the reason.

It all started when he was asked to record a song for the newly formed quartette of Dorothy Lamour, Betty Hutton, Diana Lynn nad Mimi Chandler. They were making their debut as a sister act in "And The Angels Sing."

Tactful Solution

"Those dames had never sung together before," Lilley remarked. "To make matters worse, a couple of them were as strange to each other as dogs of a different breed."

The musical madman worked out an ingenuous scheme whereby he rehearsed the song with each of the girls individually. During the rehearsal, he told the lady of the moment that the ~~song depended upon her~~.

Then came the recording. Everyone, most of all Joseph R., was astounded. The first take was terrific. Friends had to restrain enthusiastic musicians from carrying the arranger off the recording stage on their shoulders.

Twin Arrangement

While "Practically Yours," a comedy co-starring Claudette Colbert and Fred MacMurray, was being filmed, Lilley had to don grease paint for the first time. According to correct concert practice, he had to conduct a radio orchestra through alternate silent (but visible) and sound shots, hitting the melody on beat each time.

"Then this man Mark Sandrich shows up," moaned Lilley. "All he wants is a recording of Betty Hutton singing a duet. He was wacky. Then he told me Betty was playing twins. I played dead, but it didn't get me anywhere."

So audiences are hearing Betty Hutton singing with herself in "Here Come the Waves," a precedent.

What really threw the songwriter-arranger, however, was his experience with Bing, Bob and Dottie in "Road To Morrocco."

"Their voices were switched," Lilley remembers. "We had to make 25 separate arrangements to get that one over."

Seen On A Hollywood Movie Set

HOLLYWOOD—Amidst a jumble of dust laden manuscripts, books, file cabinets, bric-a-brac, portraits and dozens of dusty oil paintings, Director Vincente Minnelli is rehearsing a scene between Lucille Bremer and Mildred Natwick for "Yolanda and the Thief," Metro - Goldwyn-Mayer Technicolor fantasy.

Fred Astaire, standing by watching the scene with obvious enjoyment, tells Producer Arthur Freed that the set should be labeled "organized chaos."

"Oh, no," Freed corrected. "This has been arranged with great exactitude. Why, when Minnelli came on the set today, he ordered a pile of books rearranged. He didn't think they looked sloppy enough!"

New Miami Inn To Have Opening

A gala opening with special entertainment, favors, souvenirs, and all the trimmings will be held at the New Miami Inn beginning April 9 and continuing for a solid week.

Headline acts that have scored hits wherever they have played will be on tap including Betty Lee whose sensational acrobatics thrill, Peggy Manning, the next to the last red-hot mamma, Betty Dexter, clever tap dancer and Ardis Mae, exotic dancer. Buddy DuRay, king of the Laughsmiths keeps the entertainment at a high pitch with his witty, on the beam, M. C. technic.

Excellent food is served at all times. The club is open Sunday.

ACTOR GETS NEW NAME

Bill H. Johnson, new Metro-Goldwyn-Mayer actor, has officially changed his name to John Carlyle and has been cast in a featured role in "Dangerous Partners."

Carlyle, a native of Freeport, Ill., was recently signed to a long term contract with Metro-Goldwyn-Mayer following a medical discharge from the Army Air Corps.

Stars Seek Fun In Varied Fields

HOLLYWOOD — Did you know that Greer Garson's favorite recreation is going to the circus? And that Lucille Bremer favors riding the roller coaster?

Walter Pidgeon likes to putter in the garden and little screen star Elizabeth Taylor's favorite form of recreation fun is horseback riding?

NECKLACES OF EVERYTHING

Arthur Walsh, Jitterbug king featured in "Twice Blessed," at one time made costume jewelry for commercial distribution to Eastern department stores. For necklaces he strung together golf tees, kernels of corn or shell and for his lapel pin masks he shellacked cork halves sticking on monkey fur and colored tacks to symbolize hair and facial features.

STAR RIBS HUBBY

Lucille Ball's gag birthday gift to her husband, Sergeant Desi Arnaz, was a pin-up picture to end all pin-ups. It was of herself, of course, but wearing an old-fashioned bathing suit, 1905 vintage. Several sizes too large, it was pulled together in front by a huge safety pin.

"Love to my G. I. Guy from his pinned-up pin-up," was the way Lucille inscribed it.

CHIMPS ROLL 'EM

Jerry Fairbanks has just completed a "Speaking of Animals" short for Paramount release, titled "In The Public Eye," of which the highlight is chimpanzees rolling dice with a suspiciously large number of naturals.

BARD'S WORK ON SCREEN

Michael Chekhov, Russian-born actor and a leading authority on Shakespeare, will join Sonny Tufts in a scene from Hamlet, for Paramount's "Too Good To Be True." It marks the first time Chekhov has played Shakespeare in English.

Paramount Shoots Twelve Angle Scene

HOLLYWOOD. — Cameraman Theodor Sparkuhl worked out and executed a complicated "walkie-talkie" shot for Director Raoul Walsh to photograph a mobile scene in Paramount's "Salty O'Rourke," Alan Ladd-Gail Russell starrer.

The camera, riding on a traveling boom, covered a distance of 225 feet and shot from a total of 12 different angles in the single continuous operation. Moving on a wooden track, the boom followed actors Alan Ladd and Stanley Clements as they walked and talked while encircling the set representing the town plaza of a border village.

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"BETWEEN TWO WOMEN"...MAT 2X

It's True! that Lionel Barrymore owns a garden tractor rebuilt an old motorcycle. It was invented by Robert Young ...Also Keye Luke, M-G-M's Chinese actor in "Between Two Women," is looking forward to an international career in pictures following the war and is studying both Spanish and Mandarin Chinese.

"Between Two Women" will soon be at Loew.

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From The Rule Book

By Wilbert "Birdie" Rule
Director of Education and Recreation

From up in the barren Aleutian Islands came a letter from S/Sgt. Ray Sampson formerly of the Willys-Overland Unit, in which he says that he read in this column that the American soldier has made basketball so popular that it is being played in all parts of the world.

"Birdie" Rule

Sgt. Sampson says that this statement is absolutely true, and that in the Aleutians it is practically their only form of recreation. They have three leagues, the red, white, and blue, and each league is made up of twelve teams. There are three basketball courts in one converted airplane hangar, each larger than any high school court in Toledo, according to the sergeant.

This devotee of basketball has been on three different islands in the Aleutian chain and interest in athletics on the home front is uppermost in the soldiers' minds, he says. To quote a few lines from Sergeant Sampson's letter, "There are few floors in Toledo where I haven't dribbled a basketball, including Scott, Waite, DeVilbiss, Central, Macomber, Woodward, Libbey, and Toledo University, both the old and the new, plus most of the church gymnasiums. But little did I dream that at the age of 33, I would be shooting baskets in a converted hanger somewhere in the Aleutian Islands." That, friends, is how basketball is becoming one of the most popular sports in the world.

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It was called to my attention by several of his friends around Local 12, that Common Pleas Judge Harvey Straub is better at judging criminal cases today than he was judging fly balls a few years back.

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The Old Timers' Baseball Association is petitioning city council members to authorize much needed improvements to municipal baseball parks in Toledo. The petition includes improvements on playing fields, benches, comfort stations, and backstops. There will be many teams playing softball this season and the petition will affect hundreds and thousands of spectators.

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Pfc. Ernie McPeek, of the Plaskon Unit, has been wounded in Germany and is convalescing in a hospital in England. He has been receiving GI mail from "Pop" Jackson, secretary of the Unit, and says that it takes his mind off the war and makes him think of better things for the future. "Keep it coming," says Ernie. "I shall," answers "Pop."

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A liberated GI Joe, from a German prison camp, tells about a hospital baseball team on which he pitched. The first baseman, left fielder, and catcher were British Tommies. The second and third basemen were American lieutenants, and the shortstop was a British lieutenant. A Norwegian was substitute shortstop, a Polish surgeon played center field, and an Italian orderly was in right field.

Seems to me that even if the League of Nations can't get along diplomatically, at least they can do so athelticially.

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State conservation departments report that despite the deep snows of the past winter, loss of wild animals and birds, due to starvation during the cold months, will not be large. Thanks to you good samaritans who furnished food for them.

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These warm spring days turn the thoughts of the sports lovers to softball. Efforts are being made in the shops to organize the teams early and some are already getting in brief practice sessions.

Out at Acklin Stamping Frank Wekwert has his softball squad getting in their practice during lunch hour. The players go out back of the plant and get in their licks at walloping the ball and making spectacular catches — and some misses too. If Acklin can continue to get in their practice sessions they should be able to get away to a good start when the league gets under way.

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Ever since War Mobilizer James F. Byrnes announced that horse racing would be allowed following V-E day, the racing enthusiasts have been rooting for an early victory over Germany. The brief layoff should make the sport of kings more popular than ever when it makes its comeback.

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Ruth Crawford, a good union member of the Propeller Unit, is one of the better fisherladies of the city. Ruth is looking forward to a big season on one of the nearly Michigan lakes.

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Jerry Biddle and "Morrie" Bame, those hard working "twins" of the Packard Unit, keep in condition by playing golf several days a week.

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Judge Harvey Straub denies that he wasn't a good judge of fly balls back in the old days when he played softball. He says, "I must admit that I was one of the outstanding softball players of my time. But don't quote me."

Under Ohio Skies

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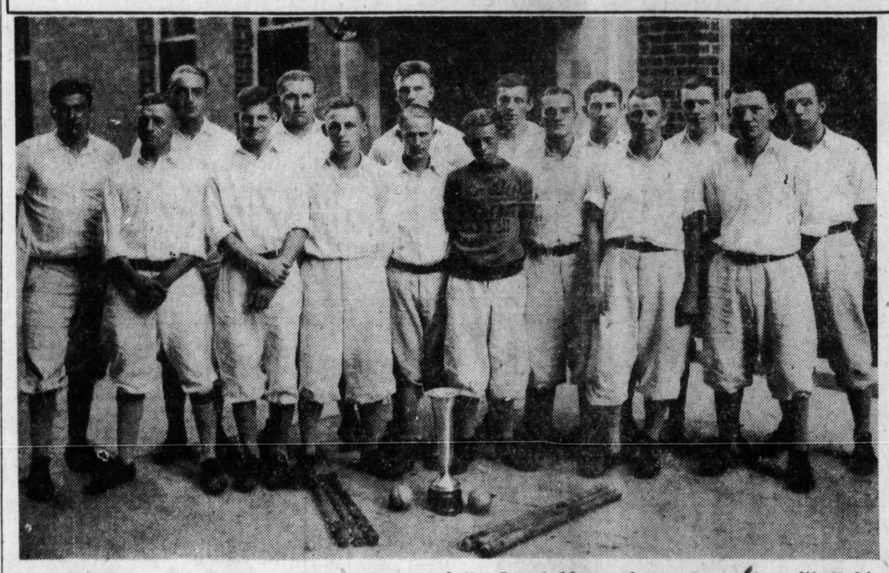
LAST OF THE BEST

Charley Robertson, who pitched for the Chicago White Sox twenty years ago, was the last pitcher to hurl a perfect, no-hit, no-run, no-man-reach-first-base game in the big leagues. He blanked the mighty Cobb-Crawford-Veach aggregation of the Detroit Tigers.

Clare Horvath New Headpin Champion

Makers Of Softball History



Today we are printing a picture of some of the Local 12 members who made softball history back in the "Roarin' Twenties." They are the players of the Airway Electric team, who won the city championship in 1928. Many have become famous in Toledo's sport circles and some are still seen cavorting around the softball diamonds.

The players pictured are, front row, left to right: Joe Pickle, Al Kautzmen, Al Cherry, Pete Bronke, Florian Madrzykowski, Ollie Kurdys, Jap Fineske, and John Kurdys, who furnished the picture. Back row, left to right: Al Sobb, Paul Bierley, Charley Stone, Pitt Jurek, Lefty Pacer, Chet Nadolney, Tony Swartz, and Common Pleas Judge Harvey Straub.

Secrets of Successful Bowling

We are offering today some tips for the beginner. If these tips are observed, they will aid the bowler in his fondest dream, that is, rolling a perfect game of 12 successive strikes which total 300 points.

Observe the following helpful tips:

Don't use too much speed. A well-directed slow ball will knock down more pins than a fast, crashing ball.

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Try not to tighten up when you are bowling at a difficult spare or split. Relax, so that you may deliver the ball freely and accurately.

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Always observe the foul line in practice.

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Don't use magnesia—or any other foreign substance such as resin, aristol, or plain white chalk—on your hands. It should not be necessary if your ball fits your hand properly.

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It is an established courtesy to give the bowler on the alley to your right the privilege of shooting first.

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Don't bend over the ball-return rack picking up your ball. It tends to disturb the bowler on the next alley.

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Never use more than the confines of your own alley. All the arm swinging and jumping done after the ball is thrown will not affect the course of the ball or help it to knock down more pins.

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Don't become discouraged because of a few bad breaks. Others get them also. Bad breaks are part of the game. Remember the strikes which you probably didn't deserve because of a weak, shaky hit. The breaks always average up.

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Don't blame the alleys or pins for small scores. Conditions are the same for all rollers using your alleys.

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Watch every ball after deliver- it to notice its course and its action on the pins. Only by doing this can you locate the proper strike spot, and attain and keep the correct angle.

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When you get split, don't throw at it carelessly. The one or two pins you make may win or lose a game. And all splits can be made.

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Bowling is a gentleman's game. It has no place for rowdyism or unbecoming behavior. Keep the sport above reproach at all times.

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Don't begrude the other bowlers good scores. Give credit, just as you expect credit and praise when you score well.

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Don't criticize your team-mate when things aren't going right. Be philosophical. An encouraging word at the right time usually does a world of good.

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Don't use sandpaper or metals of any kind, especially razor blades or files, on your callouses. It tends to crack the surface of the skin and cause infection. When you have completed a series of games, wash your hands thoroughly, using hot water.

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Own a pair of bowling shoes and enjoy the full comfort of the game.

Sportsmanship is a grand thing. Don't be a poor sport because the other fellow is!

QUESTIONS AND ANSWERS

The folowing questions and answers will be helpfull in solving a number of problems which may confront the average

Q—Is it proper to insert the thumb deep into the ball at all times?

A—It depends on the ball used. If the span is wide and the holes are bored to a full (western) pitch, it is advisable to "hook" the thumb and finger (or fingers) into the ball no farther than the first joint. In the case of a standard three-eighths pitch, the thumb is sunk a bit beyond (deeper than) the first joint, and the finger (or fingers) into the ball no farther than the first joint. In the case of a standard three-tights pitch, the thumb is sunk a bit beyond (deeper than) the first joint, and the finger (or fingers) are inserted to the crease of the second joint.

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Q—Is it advisable to "hang onto" the ball longer in negotiating the No. 10 pin on an across-alley shot than in the ordinary delivery for a strike?

A—Hanging onto (gripping tightly) the ball is not approved because it tends to develop an arm push instead of a swing. The push may easily work itself into the regular strike-ball delivery. In shooting the No1 10, it is best to apply the ordinary, full, nad natural arm swing, regulating the action of the ball by "angle" and possibly by reducing or adding a little speed, depending on the condition of the alley surface—whether or not it is polished.

Q—Does a tighter grip, or "pinching" the ball, have a tendency to reduce a hook or turn on the ball?

A—Gripping tightly or pinching a ball is an unnnatural action and is not recommended.

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Q—When waiting for the ball to return from alley pit, is there a standard rule that good bowlers follow with reference to picking it off of the rack?

A—Good bowlers are always considerate of all other bowlers. A good bowler waits until his ball has come to rest, or to a stop, on the rack, and does not lift it from the rack until the runway is clear for further action. A good bowler is particularly careful not to bend far over the return rack in picking up the ball because this may interefere with a bowler in stride on an adjoining alley.

Q—Is it a general tendency to speed up the delivery when tired, and is that the best thing to do?

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A—That is the tendency, but it is contrary to what should be done. Our advice is to lengthen the stride. By doing so, the arm swing is lengthened and greater speed (or, at least, regulated speed) is a natural result.

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Q—One alley comes in (hooks) easily; the other is an exact opposite. How can a ball be regulated to be effective on both alleys?

A—Change starting positions. When an alley "runs" (hooks) readily, stand more to the center of the runway (to the left) and start the ball to the right (toward the gutter), permitting the

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Toledo Seeks AA Prize

Brisk ticket sales for the opening Mud Hen game report this week give promise of placing Toledo well to the fore in the competition between the various cities in the American Association for the largest crowd on opening day.

From present indications, it appears that the SRO sign will be hung out early on the Swayne Field ticket office the evening of the opening game.

Those in charge of the ticket sale are urging everyone who is thinking of attending the opening game to get their tickets at the earlies possible possible time before all the choice seats are sold.

Members of the Downtown Coaches Association are handling the sale of the tickets. Lee Barr is chairman of the ticket sales committee. Local 12 members may secure their tickets from Birdie Rule, Room 20. Local 12 headquarters, 425 Winthrop St.

Dugan And Bricker Leading

Walt Dugan and Loren Bricker defeated Hank Malkowski and George Baer in the first five out of ten games of bowling Sunday, for the mythical dou-bles championship of the Mather Spring Unit. So far, the winners have a lead of 251 pins over their opponents. The last five games will be played Sunday at the A.B.C. alleys.

Dugan says that he will conduct a summer class for bowlers, and is especially inviting Hank Malkowski, but the the class will be open to any other bowlers of his Unit.

Already a challenge is being hurled at the winners by Ben Jarrow and Con Felix, but Dugan sends the warning that Jarrow's "Dead Tomato Ball" will be duck soup for him and his partner,and that Felix should save his money.

America's tallest bird is the sandhill crane. When standing erect, the male is as tall as the average man.

The Ohio State University baseball schedule, which begins on April 10, lists 17 games, including two with Notre Dame University.

Baseball executives always said that as long as nine players could be put on a baseball field lowers of the sport hope that the game would go on. We folthey meant what they said.

If a baseball czar, to replace the late Judge Landis, isn't chosen pretty soon, the game will go this year without the supreme authority.

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Joe Skrzyniecki Wins Roll-Off For Title

By Ed Mandy

Joe Skrzyniecki of W.-O., was crowned Local 12 Head Pin king by trimming Frank Cherry of the same plant by 11 pins in the roll-off. They were tied in regular play with 116 scores.

Both boys felt the pressure with the championship at stake, Joe missing the red pin twice finishing with a 92 score, while Frank missed three times to finish with 82. The pet phrase "Always a bridesmaid but never a bride" could certainly apply to Frank. He tied up with Billy Meyers last year and again this year only to lose out both times in the roll offs.

The four keglers who tied up at 115 rolled off with Billy Meyers taking third spot with 107, Bob Karamol fourth with his 96 followed by James Tucholski and Hank Wiebeck.

In the ladies division only 1 match was played to decide second position. Alice Piojda 105, took in Celia Skrzyniecki wife of the current champion who was garnering a creditable 101 with a miss.

Clare Horvath of Champion Spark Plug took undisputed possession of first place at the end of regular tournament play with a record 111 score.

Note. Checks to all head pin prize winners will be in the mail this weekend.

National League

The League 12 UAW-CIO National League finished their season last Wednesday night with Standard Commutator successfully defending the League Championship they won last year.

Bingham Stamping finished in second position one game ahead of third place Toledo Steel Products.

Mather Spring came in fourth followed by DeVilbiss, Gordon Bumper, Toledo Pressed Steel and Ransom & Randolph.

Prize List

Standard Commutator	$250.00
Bingham Stamping	$200.00
Toledo Steel Products	$175.00
Mather Spring	$150.00
DeVilbiss	$140.00
Gordon Bumper	$135.00
Toledo Pressed Steel	$130.00
Ranson & Randolph	$125.00

Fred Wight Secretary expenses $21.60.

Special Prizes

Standard Commutator high 3 games	2738—$5.00
Bingham Stamping high 1 game	1029—$5.00
Cop Wekwert high individual	658—$5.00
Roy O'Dell high indiv. 1 game	265—$5.00

High Average

Cap Wekwert	186—$5.00
Heney Lourich	182—$4.00
Ollie Wisniewski	177—$3.00
Roy O'Dell	173—$1.50
Fred Holden	173—1.50

Unions Develop Recreation

In a recent issue of "Common Sense," the charge was made that unions had overemphasized their recreational programs and that some of them were top heavy with sports.

Local 12 officers answering the charge say that it is the belief of the union that the organization should give its members every possible type of recreational activity within reason. Sports have been sponsored by the Local in baseball, basketball, softball, bowling and other types of recreation.

It is not sufficient to merely give the workers the usual activities for which the organization exists according to the officers of Local 12, but as means become available, sports programs should be added which will give the members greater opportunities within their union.

Local 12 teams have always placed high in competitive sports and have reflected considerable prestige upon the union and the members of the various teams.

Not only are sports and recreational opportunities fostered by the Local, but a budget has been created for the promotion of this phase of activity. Instead of contracting the Local 12 recreational program, plans are being made to expand it and to include many other types of sport under the direction of the recreational director.

Local 12 is making every effort to provide its members with a wide variety of programs as justified by the financial condition of the union and to provide its members with constantly increasing opportunities for finding interests within the organization.

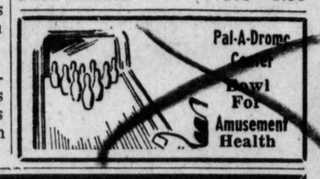
Fr. Puskas Named Softball Manager

Frank Puskas, of the Auto-Lite Unit, has been chosen as manager of the Local 12 softball league.

Frank is well known in the city's athletic circles, having been one of Waite Hi's outstanding football players. He also played with some of Toledo's best amateur basketball teams.

Bill Emerick, manager of the Willyse Unit champion softball teams for the past three years is going to work together with Puskas.

Casey Stengel, former manager of the Toledo Mud Hens, is the new manager of the Kansas City Blues of the American Baseball Association.



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